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**METHOD** 

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents

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Dear Sir:

Prior to the review of the above subject patent application, please make the following amendments:

## In the Specification:

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

-- This is a divisional application of Serial No. 10/326,188 filed 12/20/2002.--

## In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1-15.